

A Song for the Season of Creation

Unison Voices

Easy Piano + Chords

a song for everyone for Creationtide 2019

commissioned by the Church of England's Environment Working Group

dedicated to Nina Bennet and The Choir of St Bride's Church, London

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try to avoid taking breaths where dotted slurs are shown

Spacious, slow ♩ = 54

Piano

Chords: D, Am, Em7, G(sus2), D, Am7, Em7, G(sus2)

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pp 3 3 3 3

Ev-ry-thing holds to-ge-ther, ev'ry-thing, ev'ry-thing, From stars that pierce the dark like li-ving

Chords: D, Am, Em7, G(sus2), D, Am

9

p 3 *mf* 3

sparks, To se-cret seeds that open ev'ry spring, From span-ning ga-la-xies to spin-ning

Chords: Em7, D/F#, G(add9), C7, D, A/C#, C, G, E/B, F#/B

13

mp *p* 3 3 3 3

quarks, Ev - 'ry-thing holds to-ge-ther and co - heres, co - heres, Un

Chords: E/B, F#/B, N.C., D/A, Am, Em7, G(sus2)

17

fold - ing from the cen - tre whence it came. And now that hid - den heart, and

p *mf*

D Am Em7 D/F# G(add9) C7 Bm F#m

20

now that hid - den heart, that hid - den heart of things ap - pears, of things ap pears,

f *p*

F C(sus4) C Ab Eb(sus4) Eb Bb/D Cm7 C5(add9)

24

The first - born of cre - a - tion takes a name, takes a name.

mf

D Am Em7 G(sus2) D/A Am Em7 D/F# G C7 Bm7 Am7

29

More urgent ♩ = 66 *mp*

And shall I see the one through whom I am?

Em Em7 C D7/C C D7/C C D7/C C D7

pp *p* *mp*

35

Shall I be-hold the one for whom I'm made,

p *mp*

E_b F⁷/E_b E_b F⁷/E_b E_b F⁷/E_b E_b F

39

The light in light, the flame with - in the flame, the flame,

mf *ff* *p*

C D⁷/C C D/A N.C. A_b E_b G_b D_b C/E

44

* Ei - kon tou the - ou, im-age of my God? Ei - kon tou the - ou,

* Pronounced **ee-kon too the-oo**. In **too** the **t** is soft, part-way to a **d**, as in Italian. In **the**, **th** is as in **thing**, and **e** is as in **set**. In Greek: εἰκὼν τοῦ θεοῦ.

C/E D/F# C/G D/A C D⁷/C

mp *p*

50

rit. Spacious, slow ♩ = 54 *pp*

Ei - kon tou the - ou.

C C(add⁹)/G Am Em⁷ G D Am Em G(sus²)

pp *p*

56

pp

He comes, a lit-tle child, to bless my sight, my sight, That I might come to him for life and

D Am Em⁷ G(sus2) D Am

60

mp *mf* *f* *ff*

light, He comes to bless my sight, That I might come to

Em⁷ D/F# G C⁷ D A/C# C C(sus2) G B_b B_b(sus2) F G(sus2)

64

p *mf*

him for life and light, life and light,

A(sus4) D/A Am Em G D/A Am

68

f *p* *pp*

life and light.

Em D/F# G(add9) C⁷ Bm⁷ Am⁷ Em Em⁷